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**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraph [0060] with the following amended paragraph:

[0060] As is clear from the results in Table 1, battery A1 prepared by the silicon powder (active material a1) in which the mean diameter of the primary particles is 270 nm (0.27  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and battery A2 prepared by the silicon powder (active material a2) in which the mean diameter of the primary particles is 0.8  $\mu\text{m}$  have longer cycle lives compare to battery B1 prepared by the silicon powder (active material b1) in which the mean diameter of the primary particles is ~~1~~ 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$ .